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Dear Mr. Aiser,

There were two major reason why I didn't name the publishers in the Preface: so many of the editors had been so very decent I did not dare jeopardize them; and where the reply was not in writing it was subject to denial.

Had I restricted myself to those in writing it would have been unfair because there were those who gave me verbal explanations.

Also, some day I'm going to write the book about WHITE* WASH, when those who were kind will not have to worry about retaliation. I've got all the notes made up to mt private publication. I'l call it Dick Daring in the Hellbox, or How I Got Rich in Six Months.

There is a further and very practical reason: I knew I'd want a publisher to do what Dell has done, reprint. If I offended them all, would anyone?

There is now interest in WHITEWASH II among several publishers. In Italy and number are competing for it. WHITEWASH was published in Italy as of last Friday.

You will be safe if you conclude most of the major publishers were approached, and about all the minor ones!

Sincerely,

Harold Weisberg